

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

AT NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

October 20, 2004

IN RE:

**UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY, a Division of
ATMOS ENERGY CORPORATION
INCENTIVE PLAN ACCOUNT (IPA) AUDIT
AND
PETITION OF UNITED CITIES GAS COMPANY
TO AMEND THE PERFORMANCE BASED
RATEMAKING MECHANISM RIDER TO ITS TARIFF**

**DOCKET NO.
01-00704**

**ORDER SETTING PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE FOR FILING OF
POST-HEARING BRIEFS**

This matter came before the Hearing Officer upon the request of United Cities Gas Company ("Atmos Energy Corporation" or "Atmos"), the Consumer Advocate and Protection Division ("Consumer Advocate") and the Staff of the Energy and Water Division¹ of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Staff") to set a schedule for the filing of post-hearing briefs in this Docket. At the hearing held on October 19, 2004, the following Procedural Schedule was agreed to by the Parties and ordered by the Hearing Officer:

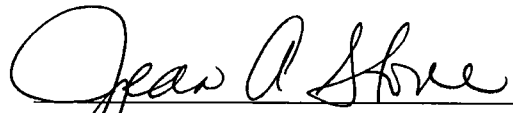
November 22, 2004	Post-hearing brief of Atmos due
December 13, 2004	Post-hearing reply briefs of the Consumer Advocate and Staff due
January 4, 2005	Post-hearing surreply brief of Atmos due

¹ The Energy and Water Division recently has been merged into the newly created Utilities Division

All filings shall be due at 2:00 p.m. (central) on the dates indicated.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

The Procedural Schedule for the filing of post-hearing briefs is established as set forth herein.


Jean A. Stone, as Hearing Officer